

DRESS REGULATIONS

Mess members are to adhere to the spirit of the dress rules and to ensure that other personnel within the public areas of the Mess also abide by the regulations. As previously stated, members are to ensure that any guests they bring into the Mess comply with these regulations especially as any individual who fails to comply with the Mess dress regulations, may be asked to leave the mess.

Where RAF dress is stated in the table below the equivalent DFRS dress is also acceptable. Where reference is made specifically to male attire, ladies are to comply with the spirit of the regulation and dress appropriately.

Mode of dress (see Notes 1 to 11)	Requirement and Restrictions up to 1900 hrs throughout the week.	Requirements and Restrictions after 1900 hrs throughout the week.
(a)	(b)	(c)
<u>RAF Uniform</u>		
1. RAF No 1 HD.	Acceptable in any public room.	Acceptable in any public room for members on duty.
2. RAF No 2A (Working Dress) or 3A (OD Working Dress)	Acceptable in any public room (see Notes 1 and 3).	Acceptable in any public room for members on duty.
3. RAF No 2B (Working Dress – Summer) and 3B (OD Working Dress – Summer).	Acceptable in any public room (see Notes 1 and 2).	Acceptable in any public room for members on duty.
4. Flying Clothing (see Note 3).	Acceptable in any public room (see Notes 1 and 3).	Acceptable in any public room (only for diverted aircrew who have no change of clothing).
5. Mess Dress (Officers – No.5A HD; WOs/SNCOs - Mess Dress or No. 1 HD with white collared shirt and black bow tie) (see Note 6).	As required for formal functions.	As required for formal functions.
<u>CIVILIAN CLOTHING</u>		
6. Lounge Suits or Jacket and Tie.	Acceptable in any public room.	Acceptable in any public room.
7. Smart Casual Clothes (see Notes 5 and 6).	Acceptable in any public room unless a function is taking place for which different dress has been promulgated or the Mess is entertaining guests and a restriction has been ordered. Changes in dress are to be promulgated by the PMC/CMC at least 24 hrs before the event.	Acceptable in any public room unless a function is taking place for which different dress has been promulgated or the Mess is entertaining guests and a restriction has been ordered. Changes in dress are to be promulgated by the PMC/CMC at least 24 hrs before the event. Clean Jeans may be worn every night, except Saturday.

8. Relaxed Dress (see Note 6).	Acceptable in any public rooms Monday – Friday inclusive and Sunday.	Acceptable in any public rooms Monday –Friday inclusive and Sunday.
9. Clean Sports Kit. <u>OUTDOOR CLOTHING</u>	Acceptable only at ‘Pooh Corner’ within the bar for members and guests who have been engaged in sporting activities (see Note 7).	Acceptable only at ‘Pooh Corner’ in the bar for members and guests who have been engaged in sporting activities (see Note 7).
10. Service and civilian hats, coats and anoraks.	Must not be taken into any public room.	Must not be taken into any public room.

Notes:

1. Dress in the Dining Room. Diners in RAF uniform who commenced their evening meal before 1900 hrs may remain until it has been completed.
2. No. 3A or 3B Uniform. No. 3A or 3B (DPM or olive drab working dress) may be worn in the public rooms as working dress only by those members authorised to wear this uniform.
3. Amendments to Standard of Dress. Amendments to the standard of dress will be promulgated by the PMC/CMC via notices displayed in the Mess foyer. Except for Mess formal functions, smart casual clothing may normally be worn in any public room however, if the PMC/CMC orders a dress restriction, a jacket and tie, or ‘Planters Rig’ (if authorised as Summer Dress), must be worn.
4. Standard of Smart Casual Clothing. It is neither possible nor desirable to specify every form of smart casual clothing that is acceptable; however, a minimum standard of tailored trousers and a collared short-sleeved shirt is required. Protective clothing, sports shoes are considered unacceptable. Short trousers may be worn but are to be properly tailored.
5. Standard of Relaxed Dress. A minimum standard of clean jeans, collared short-sleeved shirt, clean shoes or clean trainers. **Shorts, tracksuit bottoms or football tops are not acceptable.**
6. ‘Pooh Corner’. Members who are not dressed to the required standard may order a drink from the bar at ‘Pooh Corner’ but should not consume the drink or prolong their stay in the bar.
7. Patio. There are no restrictions on the wearing of smart casual clothes, including sports kit, short trousers or jeans, whilst on the Club patio. In addition, members and guests may enter the bar ‘Pooh Corner’ from the patio to purchase refreshments to consume outside.
8. Dress at Formal Functions. At formal functions, civilian members and guests are to wear clothing appropriate to the function, (i.e. Mess Kit, Dinner Jacket or Lounge Suit). Formal dress for ladies is either full-length dress or skirt; trousers are not acceptable.